

# NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BUILDING CODE REVIEW BOARD

## Minutes of Meeting

June 11, 2004

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### Attendance:

#### **Robert Clegg, Chairman, Department of Safety**

Tyler Carlisle, Board of Engineers, licensed electrical engineer

Mark Weissflog, NH Electrical Contractors Business Asso., licensed master electrician

John Tuttle, NH Home Builders Association, Architectural designer – residential

George Maihos, NH Electricians Board, licenses master electrician

Wes Golomb, State energy conservation code office

James Petersen, PE, Board of Engineers, licensed mechanical engineer

Joel Fisher, Board of Engineers, licensed structural engineer

Thomas S Lambert, Chief, NH Association of Fire Chiefs, Municipal Fire

Kenneth Andrews, NH Building Officials Association, municipal building official

Rick Swain, NH Plumbing & Mechanical Contractors Assoc., mechanical contractor, business

Tedd Evans, Board for licensing and regulation of plumbers, licensed master plumber

### Absent/Excused:

Michael Santa, CBO, Governor's Commission on Disability, Architectural barrier/free design

Bruce Phillips, NH Association of Fire Chiefs, municipal volunteer fire chief

Medard Kopczynski, NH Municipal Association

Fred Baybutt, Associated General Contractors, building contractor – non-residential buildings

Jerry Tepe, Board of Architects, licensed architect

### Guests:

Marta Modigliani, Attorney, Department of Safety, Office of the Commissioner

J. William Degnan, Acting State Fire Marshal

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

NH Plumbing Code proposed amendments to the 2000 edition of the International Plumbing Code

The notice is incorrect. Let the minutes reflect that the hearing will be on August 13, 2004.

### **GENERAL MEETING:**

There being a quorum in attendance, Chairman Clegg called the meeting to order.

### **ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Adoption of meeting minutes from May 14, 2004

**Motion** was made by Rick Swain to adopt the meeting minutes. Tyler Carlisle **seconded** the motion. There being no discussion – vote take was in unanimous and declared passed by the Chair.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Letter from Edward Murdough to State Plumbers Licensing Board

Ken Andrews asked where this was a courtesy copy, it looks like an interpretation question, and unless there is an appeal filed, it falls within the parameter of the State Licensing Board for the Plumbers Board. Tedd Evans reported that the Plumbing Board reviewed this letter last month and they took it under advisement. He suggested that this Board advise him that he has the option to petition this Board to make a change in the State Code. Rick Swain thinks it's an interpretation matter. A letter to him will be drafted, to thank him for providing a copy and will send the site they can access if they feel a Code change is needed, and that they have the right to petition the Board.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

##### Re-Adoption of State Fire Code Rules

Marta Modigliani stated that the expiration of the State Fire Code is targeted for September 2004, so the re-adoption has been initiated – and that copy (handed out) is that proposal. Marta explained that some of this is editorial in nature, cleaning up things like the numbering, etc. The up-dates to the Codes that are referenced throughout have been updated to the most recent Codes.

Bill Degnan spoke to clarify changes that were made in the handout to Board members. Chairman Clegg suggested that he be more specific on changes spelled out. The Fire Marshal's office is working on putting some basic inspection forms on-line, and they are working on developing a self-inspection program.

Marta told that Board that the Public Hearing on these Rules is scheduled for July 6, 2004 at 9:00 am at the Fire Academy. The public comments will be received until July 19, Monday. The Board members will get a copy of the Final Proposed copy of the Rules.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

The General Meeting regularly scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup> – has been cancelled.

Marta asked the Board for their input on the scheduling of a public hearing for the amendment to the Procedure on Hearings Rules. The Chairman said to hold off for a bit to see how the Board would adopt NEW Rules on the new pieces of Legislation. Marta will DRAFT something for the Board to review. Marta will also DRAFT some Legislation of every Rule change and every Code change, everything done by this Board for Legislation this coming session. Marta will pull/keep the current pending Rule changes that are in the works. Appeals of the Electricians Board and appeals of the Plumbers Board. Chairman Clegg said that this Board will do INTERIM RULES.

Ken Andrews asked about the new Rule and/or licensing of other professions in the State. As it stands now, anybody can appeal the decision of the Fire Marshal's office, if we now start licensing sprinkler installers, does that fall within the same purview? Marta stated she would have to look at that specific law.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Tyler Carlisle made the **motion** to adjourn. **Seconded** by Wes Golomb. Vote was unanimous.